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Durham Seeks Organizations for Emergency Solutions Grant Funds

Durham Continuum of Care Memberships Sought

DURHAM, N.C. – The City of Durham Community Development Department is inviting interested organizations to now apply for \$158,490 in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds.

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services recently informed the department that the Durham Continuum of Care was eligible to apply for up to \$95,094 to fund operating costs of emergency shelters and at least \$63,396 to rapidly re-house people who are currently homeless. Eligible applicants must be private nonprofit organizations or units of local government.

Project applications for these ESG funds are due to the City's Community Development Department by 4 p.m. on Friday, October 7, 2016. Project application instructions, the project application itself, and supporting documentation information are now available on the [Durham Continuum of Care website](#).

At this time, the City's Community Development Department is also issuing a public invitation to the Durham community to join the Durham Continuum of Care. The Durham Continuum of Care is composed of representatives of organizations including nonprofit homeless providers, victim service providers, faith-based organizations, governments, businesses, advocates, public housing agencies, school districts, social service

providers, mental health agencies, hospitals, universities, affordable housing developers, law enforcement, organizations that serve homeless and formerly homeless veterans, and homeless and formerly homeless people. The Continuum is organized to coordinate local efforts to address housing and homeless issues and to reduce homelessness. Membership is available at no charge. For more information about the Durham Continuum of Care Program and to access a membership form, visit the [Durham Continuum of Care website](#).

For more information contact Lloyd Schmeidler or Matt Schnars, project managers with the City's Community Development Department, at (919) 560-4570 or by [email](#).

About the City of Durham Community Development Department

The [Community Development Department](#) is responsible for coordinating the City's housing resources and various housing assistance programs as well as promoting affordable housing by working with investors and community housing development organizations. The department also administers the City's entitlement programs from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development. Guided by the City's [Strategic Plan](#), the department helps to ensure that the City has thriving, livable neighborhoods by enhancing housing quality and affordability for Durham residents.

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